that there might be a mutuall accommodation of the Contro- P. R. O. versy, did appoint that both parties should meete and make Colonial Papers. Vol. propositions and answers to each other, and present them in IX, No. 87. writing to the Boord which was accordingly done; Whereupon their Lordships having heard and maturely considered the allegations on either part, and perticularly the pretences of Clayborne, did then thinke fitt by an Order of the 3. of July 1633, to leave your petitioner to the right of his patent, and the other party to the course of Law; whereupon your petitioner hath proceeded in sending to that country divers Colonyes of your Majies Subjects at his greate charges, who have planted themselves in severall parts thereof, to the great hazard of their persons, and to the benefitt and service of your Majties subjects in Virginia as is confessed by the Governor and Councell Yet notwithstanding the said William Clayborne being not contented with the said Order, because he well knew he had no legall right to his unjust pretences, not long after, did conspire with the Indians to destroy two of your petitioners Brothers, with divers Gentlemen, and others of your Majties subjects, and by many other unlawfull wayes to overthrow his plantations, whereof he fayling, (but continuing his malice to your petitioner) whilst he is a prisoner at the Boord upon a complaint of the Governor of Virginia for his contemptuous and mutinous carriage towards the government there, and rebellious departure from thence; hath lately upon false surmises exhibited in his petition to your Majtie, obtayned a reference for granting of some part of your petitioners countrey to him, and for examining here some pretended wrongs mentioned in his petition.

May it therefore please your most Excellent Majtie seeing that your petitioner's patent and right, hath passed so many tryalls; and that in confidence thereof, and of your Majestie's Royall justice and favor, he hath expended a great part of his eState in planting that Countrey; that you wilbe pleased in confirmation of the said Order of the Boord, to leave your petitioner to his right and the said Clayborne to the Courte of Law; that thereby your Majiie may be free from the clamour of such pretenders, and your Subject encouraged to proceed in the plantation as he intends: And to that end that you wil be pleased to revoke the reference made for the said Clayborne, and to give order, that no grant shall pass to him, or to any other, of any part of your petitioners Countrey. And that you will likewise be pleased touching the examination of the injuryes pretended to be done by your petitioners Agents in those parts, seeing they are alledged to be done in Virginia, that your Majtie wilbe pleased to direct your royall Letters to your Governor and Councell there, to examine the said complaints,